Senior Planner John Sterrett called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present:
Scott Gryder – PBZ Committee Chair (Arrived
Fran Klaas – Highway Department
Jason Langston – Sheriff’s Office
Aaron Rybski – Health Department
Megan Andrews – Soil & Water Conservation District
John Sterrett – PBZ Department

Absent:
David Guritz- Forest Preserve
Brian Holdiman- PBZ Department
Greg Chismark – WBK Engineering, LLC

Audience: Attorney Dan Kramer; Attorney Kelly Helland

AGENDA
Mr. Klaas made a motion, seconded by Ms. Andrews, to amend the agenda to move public comment before approval of the minutes. With a voice vote of all ayes the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Dariusz Kozinski, VP of Service Employees International Union Local 1 appeared with employees of Cleaner Leading Services, the cleaning service for Kendall County buildings as well as others. Mr. Kozinski stated that employees with this company make low wages with no benefits and he would like to see the County look into using a responsible cleaning company.

MINUTES
Mr. Gryder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Klaas, to approve the July 12, 2016 meeting minutes with a correction to wording regarding class v injection requirements. With a voice vote of all ayes the motion carried.

PETITIONS
16-18 LRMP Amendment
The Kendall County Planning, Building, and Zoning Department was approached by a property owner located at the northwest corner of State Route 31 and Light Road regarding a proposed expansion of an existing indoor self-service storage facility. The expansion would consist of the construction of a 8,400sf self-service storage building as well as a proposed outdoor storage area. The existing facility is zoned as B-2 (General Business) with a special use to operate the indoor self-service storage facility. The special use was granted for the indoor self-service storage facility in 1976. The parcel immediately to the south of the existing facility, where the expansion is proposed, is zoned as B-1 (Local Shopping). The B-1 district does not permit indoor self-service storage facilities nor does it allow outdoor storage either by right or by special use. The B-2 district allows for an indoor self-service storage facility as a conditional use and allows for outdoor storage as a special use. The property owner therefore will need to seek a rezoning of the current B-1 zoned property to B-2 for this expansion.

When reviewing proposed zoning map amendments, the County’s Land Use Plan is taken into consideration to determine the proper zoning and uses for a specific area. The County’s Land Use Plan currently identifies the subject area at the northwest corner of State Route 31 and Light Road as suburban residential (max density 1.00 du/acre). The existing zoning in the subject area consists of a mix of commercial zoning: B-1 (Local Shopping), B-2 (General Business), B-3 (Highway Commercial) with the existing uses of a gas station, a commercial strip mall, the self-service storage facility, a decommissioned water treatment facility, and stormwater detention facilities to serve these commercial uses. The area totals 10.5 acres.

Staff is of the opinion that given the existing zoning classifications and existing commercial uses in this area that the County’s Land Use plan be amended to reflect commercial development for consistency with existing zoning and
uses. Attached is a draft amendment to this portion of the Land Use Plan identifying the area as commercial. Per State Statute, a public hearing must take place as part of amending the County’s Land Use Plan. This public hearing will occur at the next Regional Plan Commission meeting in August.

Mr. Klaas made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gryder, to forward the petition onto the Plan Commission with a favorable recommendation. With a voice vote of all ayes, the motion carried.

16-20 – Stor-Mor, Inc. – Zoning Map Amendment – B-1 to B-2
Mr. Sterrett outlined the request for a zoning map amendment for the property at 1317 Route 31 in Oswego Township. Stor Mor Inc is requesting a zoning map amendment to rezone the 3.2 acre property from B-1 to B-2 to allow for an expansion of the enclosed self service storage facility and to allow outdoor storage. The county’s Land Use Plan identifies this area as Suburban Residential. A rezoning of this property will require an amendment to the County’s Land Use Plan to allow for commercial development. The County’s Regional Plan Commission discussed this potential change at their June and July meetings and will hold a public hearing on the amendment in August. The existing zoning classifications and land uses in the area are consistent with a commercial category and would benefit from a change in the land use plan to accommodate any future commercial redevelopment at the intersection.

Mr. Klaas made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gryder, to forward the petition onto the Plan Commission with a favorable recommendation. With a voice vote of all ayes, the motion carried.

16-20 – Stor-Mor, Inc. – B-2 Special Use – Outdoor Storage and Enclosed Self-Service Storage
Mr. Sterrett outlined the request for a special use for an outdoor storage as well as enclosed self-service storage for the property at 1317 Route 31 in Oswego Township. Stor Mor Inc intends to construct a 8,400sf enclosed self-storage facility just south of the three existing buildings. In addition to this enclosed structure, twenty-nine (29) angled parking stalls are proposed for RV storage outdoors. Staff notes that the drive aisle leading to twelve (12) of these parking stalls is a dead end and the angled parking stalls will require any vehicle stored to be backed out completely down the access aisle. Prior to construction, approval from the Oswego Fire Protection District should be received that this dead end access drive will not require a turnaround for emergency vehicles.

To address the screening of the outdoor storage area from adjacent properties, the petitioner is proposing to install emerald green arborvitae along the south and west property line. Evergreen trees along a portion of the east property line will be installed to screen from State Route 31. The storage area will be completely fenced in. The petitioner has indicated that no vehicle will be accepted to store on site that is not in working condition. The hours of operation would remain the same as they are currently for the existing self-service storage facility which has office hours of 8:00am to 5:00pm and gate hours of 7:00am to 7:00pm.

If the Land Use plan is amended to commercial for the subject parcel and immediately surrounding properties and approval is granted for the zoning map amendment request from B-1 to B-2, staff recommends the following conditions be placed on the controlling ordinance for the especial use:

- The property will be developed in accordance with the site plan
- A building permit shall be secured prior to construction of the proposed storage building
- A stormwater management permit shall be secured prior to the development of the property
- The outdoor storage and expansion of the enclosed self-service storage facility shall be effectively screened from adjacent properties.
- Office hours of operation shall be limited to 8:00am to 5:00pm and gate hours of operation shall be limited to 7:00am to 7:00pm
- No more than twenty-nine (29) vehicles may be stored on site at a time
- All vehicles stored on site shall be located within a designated stall
- All lighting shall comply with Section 11 of the Kendall County Zoning Ordinance

Mr. Gryder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rybski, to forward the petition onto the Plan Commission with a favorable recommendation. With a voice vote of all ayes, the motion carried.

16-21 – High Grove Subdivision – Zoning Map Amendment – RPD-2 to R-2
Mr. Sterrett outlined the request for a zoning map amendment for the property on the west side of Grove Road, approximately 1 mile north of Route 52 in Seward Township. The petitioners, Tom and Suzanne Casey, are
requesting a zoning map amendment to rezone the 9.9 acres from RPD-2 to R-2. The County Land Use Plan identifies this area as Rural Residential with a maximum density of 0.65 dwelling units per acre. With a proposed four (4) lot subdivision, the property will have a density of 0.40 dwelling units per acre. This is less than the proposed density of the original 48 lot development on the 109 acre tract of land. The Village of Plattville’s Comprehensive Plan identifies this area as low density residential with a maximum density equivalent to the County of 0.65 dwelling units per acre. The City of Joliet identifies this area as residential with a maximum density of 2.5 dwelling units per acre. The property was originally approved in 2006 as a 48 lot single family home subdivision with lots of open space on an overall 109 acre tract of land. The final plat of subdivision was not recorded thus voiding the approval. Since that time the Joliet Park District has acquired 97 of the 109 acres from the petitioners. Of the remaining 12 acres from the original development, the petitioner is requesting to rezone 9.9 acres to R-2 Single-family Residential.

Ms. Andrews made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rybski, to forward the petition onto the Plan Commission with a favorable recommendation. With a voice vote of all ayes, the motion carried.

16-21 – High Grove Subdivision – Preliminary and Final Plat of Subdivision

Mr. Sterrett explained that the petitioner’s have contemporaneously submitted a Preliminary and Final Plat for a four (4) lot subdivision. Additional information that should be included on the Preliminary Plat. Four residential lots are proposed on the Preliminary and Final Plat. Each of the four lots has a lot size of 97,379 square feet. These lot sizes meet the minimum lot size requirement of 90,000 square feet of the R-2 district. Grove Road currently has a seventy (70) foot right-of-way. As a major collector roadway, 120’ of right-of-way is required. An additional twenty-five (25) feet of ROW should be dedicated on the west side of Grove Road for future widening. This additional right-of-way dedication should be identified on the Preliminary and Final Plat. This dedication will alter the proposed lot sizes for lots 1 and 2.

The four (4) lots are proposed to be served by a private road within proposed lot 5 having a width of 33’. Private drives serving three or more residential lots must demonstrate that the site could not otherwise be preserved if a public road was provided such as significant trees, topography, water features, historic sites, rural character, etc. It is staff’s understanding that the private road has an easement for ingress and egress granted to the Joliet Park District for access to a future park site. A maximum distance for a shared private drive serving three or more residential lots from a public road ROW is 500’. Staff recommends the Preliminary and Final Plat be revised to indicate lot 5 containing the private road be extended no more than 50’ from the edge of the future dedicate road right-of-way to serve the four (4) residential lots. A proposed ten (10) foot public utility and drainage easement is located along the front of the proposed lots. Section 9.04 of the Subdivision Control Ordinance requires utility and drainage easements be provided at the rear of all residential lots and along the side lot lines where required. Such utility easement shall be a minimum five (5) feet wide, ten (10) feet on the rear of each lot or a minimum to maintain the utility or drainage function of the property in accordance with the size and depth of utility or drainage route. The Preliminary and Final Plat should be revised to reflect these required easement locations and sizes.

The Preliminary and Final Plat must include the location and orientation of septic system envelopes on each individual residential lot as well as the location of well envelopes on each individual residential lot. Soil classifications were included on a submitted Zoning Plat. This information should also be included on the Preliminary and Final Plat. A soil analysis is required as part of the preliminary plat. Topography for the site has been included on the submitted Zoning Plat. This information should also be included on the Preliminary and Final Plat. Information should also be included to show the intent of surface drainage. Mr. Klaas recommended that an additional 15’ of ROW be dedicated on the west side of Grove Road with Additional dedication of 15’ along Grove Road including the 2 acres to the north outside of the proposed development to total a 50’ right-of-way.

Recording of a no access easement along Grove Road on lots 1 and 2 and the 2 acres to the north outside of the proposed development. Mr. Klaas also recommended that the private road lot be revised with a width of forty (40) feet rather than thirty-three (33) feet.

Mr. Rybski stated that a soil analysis is needed and should be submitted to the Health Department for review. Septic envelopes and soils classifications should also be included on the Preliminary Plat.

Mr. Klaas made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gryder, to forward the petition onto the Plan Commission with a favorable recommendation. With a voice vote of all ayes, the motion carried.
16-22 – JA Schleining LLC d/b/a Jet’s Towing Service

Mr. Sterrett stated that the subject property was placed in violation by the PBZ Department for operating a truck storage and towing service company in the A-1 Agricultural District. This type of use is not permitted in the A-1 Agricultural district with or without a special use. The property owners were notified that the only zoning district that would allow this type of use is the M-1 Manufacturing District. The property owners currently reside on the property.

The petitioner is requesting a zoning map amendment to rezone the 8.8 acre subject property from A-1 to M-1 so that the existing use may comply with the zoning designation. The County’s Land Use Plan indicates this area as Mixed Use Business. M-1 zoning is considered an appropriate zoning for this category in this. The United City of Yorkville indicates this area as Industrial.

Structures that are used in conjunction with the truck storage and towing service operation will require a change of occupancy permit because the use of these buildings originally constructed for agricultural uses has changed. The buildings that are currently being used for the operation of the business should be noted for building code and fire code evaluations.

Section 10.01.A.2 of the Zoning ordinance states that all business, production, servicing and processing shall take place within completely enclosed buildings, unless otherwise specified. Within one hundred and fifty feet of a Residential District, all storage shall be in completely enclosed buildings or structures; and storage located elsewhere in this district may be open to the sky but shall be enclosed by solid walls or fences (including solid doors or gates thereto) at least eight feet high, but in no case lower in height than the enclosed storage; and suitably landscaped. However, open off-street loading facilities and open off-street parking of motor vehicles under one and one-half ton capacity may be un-enclosed throughout the district, except for such screening of parking and loading facilities as may be required under the provisions of Section 11.00.

Although the outdoor storage taking place on the property is at least 150’ from residential districts, the petitioner will need to supply information addressing how storage of trucks will effectively be screened from adjacent properties with fencing and acceptable landscaping. Section 11.02.F.2 of the Zoning ordinance requires all parking and drive aisles constructed or reconstructed to be improved with “permanent, concrete, unit paver, asphalt surface or some other environmentally friendly surface or green design practices. Asphalt paving shall include a 9” compacted gravel base and 3” asphalt covering, or equivalent.” Currently, a gravel parking area and a gravel drive exists on the property.

It’s staff’s understanding that a variance may be sought from the petitioner for this requirement. Due to the intense use of trucks entering and exiting the site, staff does not recommend that the gravel drive and gravel parking area remain and recommends a hard surface be constructed for the parking and drive areas to prevent gravel being dragged out onto the roadway causing damage. Information should be submitted in lighting is provided on the site for the operation. All lighting must comply with Section 11 of the Zoning Ordinance.

Prior to a recommendation, staff requests that the petitioner provide staff with the variance requests that will be sought from the requirements of the M-1 zoning districts standards. A completed EcoCAT report must also be submitted. Staff is of the opinion that comments from the United City of Yorkville and Bristol Township should be received prior to the County’s Regional Plan Commission meeting.

Mr. Gryder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rybski, to forward the petition onto the Plan Commission with a favorable recommendation pending resolution of the items noted by Staff. Mr. Sterrett called the roll. Gryder – Aye, Rybski- Aye, Langston – Aye, Klaas – No.

REVIEW OF PETITIONS THAT WENT TO COUNTY BOARD

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Rybski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Langston, to adjourn. With a voice vote of all ayes, the motion carried. The ZPAC, at 10:07am, adjourned.